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Richland County



Coroner's Report

Office of the Coroner
6300 Shakespeare Road
Columbia SC 29223
803-576-1799

Case Number: 2017-000587 Name: [REDACTED]

Sex: M Race: African American Age: 038YR DOB: [REDACTED] SSN: [REDACTED]

TIME OF DEATH:

Date: Actual: 02/24/2017 Time: Actual: 6:20
Street #: 120 City: Columbia
State: SC Zip: 29203

Proximity:

INCIDENT INFORMATION:

Date: Estimated: 02/23/2017 To: 02/24/2017 Time: Estimated From: 05:29 To: 22:45
Incident Location: 7901 Farrow Road
City: Columbia State: SC Zip: 29203

CAUSE OF DEATH: Acute mixed drug toxicity. Contributing: Schizoaffective disorder.

AKA:

FKA:

Toxicology Alcohol: Femoral blood, Vitreous, Urine - Negative

Toxicology Drugs: Femoral blood; Diazepam 400 ng/mL, Nordiazepam 520 ng/mL, Oxazepam 29 ng/mL, Temazepam 41 ng/mL, Lorazepam 19 ng/mL, 10-Hydroxycarbazepine 16 mcg/mL, Chlorpromazine 62 ng/mL, Diphenhydramine 530 ng/mL, Vitreous; Creatinine 0.50 mg/dL, Sodium 136 mmol/mL, Potassium 6.6 mmol/L, Chloride 116 mmol/L, Glucose 44 mg/dL, Urea Nitrogen 14 mg/dL, Urine; Diazepam 51 ng/mL, Nordiazepam 1000 ng/mL, Oxazepam >2000 ng/mL, Temazepam >2000 ng/mL, Lorazepam 160 ng/mL, 10-Hydroxycarbazepine 470 mcg/mL, Chlorpromazine

Manner of Death: Accident

Case Summary

[REDACTED] was found unresponsive in his jail cell. An autopsy indicated the cause of death as stated.

REPORT OF POSTMORTEM EXAMINATION

temazepam >2000 ng/mL, lorazepam 160 ng/mL, 10-hydroxycarbazepine 470 mcg/mL, chlorpromazine 280 ng/mL, 9-hydroxyrisperidone 190 ng/mL, risperidone and 9-hydroxyrisperidone-total 190 ng/mL, and diphenhydramine 9000 ng/mL.

Testing of the vitreous fluid yields the following results:

Creatinine	0.50 mg/dL
Sodium	136 mmol/L
Potassium	6.7 mmol/L
Chloride	116 mmol/L
Glucose	44 mmol/L
Urea Nitrogen	14 mg/dL

The vitreous electrolyte results are within normal limits.

SUMMARY & COMMENT: The cause of death for this 38 year old man is acute mixed drug toxicity. Postmortem toxicology results were reviewed on 3/31/17 with Demi Garvin, Forensic Toxicologist, who agrees that the level of medications listed in the toxicology report would cause death. Review of the scene video obtained by RCCO showed the decedent receiving several injections and then being placed on a mattress where he moves on his own to pull the blanket tightly over his face. No movement by the decedent is seen after this on the video. Although the level of drugs in system alone are enough to explain his death, asphyxiation from the blanket covering his face can not be ruled out as possibly contributing to or hastening his death. A contusion on the scalp was noted but there were no intracranial injuries present that would have contributed to his death. The pertinent anatomic findings are summarized under "Final Anatomic Diagnoses."

AMD:jh04/03/17

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